

Holton USD #336
Board of Education --First Regular Meeting
December 13, 2004, 7:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Roger Heckerson, Jim Chamberlain, Alan Bagby, Keith Eubanks, Brent Nelson, Mark Pruett, Joni White.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT: Brad Rahe, Jo Krogman, Alan Beam, Jay D. Nelson, Elaine Nielson, Susan Sipe, Mark B. Wilson, Mark C. Wilson, Allen Arnold, David King, Edward Lutz, David Powls, Joe Schneider, Tom Sextro, Marvin Stous.

President Heckerson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

A motion was made by Member Pruett and seconded by Member Chamberlain to approve the amended agenda of the December, 13, 2004, first regular board meeting. Motion carried, 7-0.

A motion was made by Member Eubanks and seconded by Member Bagby to approve the minutes of the November 8, 2004, first regular board meeting. Motion carried, 7-0.

A motion was made by Member Pruett and seconded by Member Bagby to approve the warrant numbers 36016 through 36219 with addition of Clayton Group for \$1250 Micro Visual Assessment and \$1950 for Remediation Work Plan and December payroll as presented. Motion carried, 7-0.

COMMUNICATIONS:

1) None

OLD BUSINESS:

1) Supt. Rahe requested board approval of renewal of Capital Outlay levy for 5 years at 6 mills. He noted that mills would only be used if necessary to maintain the Capital Outlay fund.

A motion was made by Member Eubanks and seconded by Member Pruett to approve the 5 year 6 mill resolution for Capital Outlay levy. Motion carried, 6-1 (Chamberlain opposing).

Supt. Rahe gave an update on the High School Wrestling room. Air samples were taken this afternoon and the results should be back by tomorrow afternoon. If all cleared, Wrestling room could be open to public by Wednesday. Wrestling parents have contacted Rich about volunteering to seal the walls. Roofing company is working on a temporary fix to seal the roof until Spring. Member Pruett requested board authorize Supt. to seek quotes on wall testing for structural integrity as results will take a couple of months to come back. Staff will be repainting the lower walls this week.

A motion was made by Member Pruett and seconded by Member Nelson to approve authorization for quote request for destructive wall testing. Motion carried, 7-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

1) Tom Sextro requested board consensus for fiber project with City and County. The project would be to link the Courthouse to current fiber network. The City would provide labor to hang the fiber and the district would provide funds of approximately \$5,000 for materials. Board consensus to proceed with investigation but try to define mutual financial obligation for all entities. Tom also notified the board of a couple of grants that the district is eligible for that could help to defray an IDL (Interactive Distance Learning) lab start up expense and requested the board authorization to continue to investigate both costs and grants for lab.

A motion was made by Member Pruett and seconded by Member Babgy to approve exploration of IDL lab. Motion carried, 7-0.

2) Supt. Rahe gave a handout of Building Site Council committees and requested board approval of same as required by state law.

A motion was made by Member Pruett and seconded by Member Eubanks to approve site council committees as presented. Motion carried, 7-0.

3) Supt. Rahe reviewed volunteer list for District Facility Steering Committee, requested board establish procedure for building assignments, set time and site for committee meeting to discuss scope of the District project and information required. The board consensus to hold a special meeting on January 5th at 7:00 p.m. in the Middle School Cafeteria and to have copies of all completed studies, enrollment projections, enrollment numbers past and present, tax history, current bond obligation and current interest rates. Building assignments for committee to be established by lottery drawing by StuCo participants.

A motion was made by Member Chamberlain and seconded by Member Pruett to accept list of volunteers for District Facility Steering Committee. Motion carried, 7-0.

4) Supt. Rahe requested board approve math curriculum recommendation and series purchase. The series would be for K-6 grades and would include all materials and training for staff.

A motion was made by Member Bagby and seconded by Member Chamberlain to approve math curriculum and the purchase of math series at cost of \$44,751.42 as presented. Motion carried, 7-0.

5) Supt. Rahe requested board approval of emergency substitute certificates for Mark McKinsey and Darin Stous.

A motion was made by Member Eubanks and seconded by Member Chamberlain to approve emergency substitute certificates for Mark McKinsey and Darin Stous. Motion carried, 7-0.

6) Supt. Rahe requested board approval for contract offers to Jennifer Sperfslage, Sabetha Para; Christina Herd, Wetmore Para and Barb Zishka, Central Custodian.

A motion was made by Member Pruett and seconded by Member Bagby to approve contract offers to Jennifer Sperflage, Sabetha Para,; Christina Herd, Wetmore Para and Barb Zishka, Central Custodian. Motion carried, 7-0.

7) Supt. Rahe notified board of request to use district bus and asked the board for approval of same. Board policy allows use but district can not pay any expenses. Parties understand that they must reimburse all costs.

A motion was made by Member Pruett and seconded by Member Eubanks to approve bus request for religious educational use. Motion carried, 7-0.

REPORTS:

ADMINISTRATIVE:

Mark C. Wilson -- Carolyn Bell participating in Festival of Trees again this year. Past participation has brought in approximately \$1,000 from auctions for donations. Kindergarten musical was super job by all students and great job by Sarah Phillips. Also credit to Peggy Tuley and LeeAnn Gooderl for assistance. Grade cards will be sent home with students in January. Gave invitations to all board members for ECSE Christmas program.

Elaine Nielson -- Commend Sarah Phillips on Christmas program, great job. Kid Power going out tomorrow afternoon. Notables will be performing at Central later in the week. Jessica Karns having author visit in buildings. Tuesday the Optimists will be presenting donation to Sarah Phillips and Sarah Degenhardt. Attended Tech Conference last week, great ideas and opportunity. Saw some incredible tools for kids. Wished Merry Christmas to all.

Jay D. Nelson -- Last week was National KAYS Week, all donations to Crisis Pregnancy Center. Students sending cards to soldiers overseas. Fall sports are done, gave results; basketball starts this week. Vocal and instrumental programs this Thursday at 7:00 p.m. at the High School Auditorium.

Mark B. Wilson -- Extend thanks to Holton Knights of Columbus for Special Olympic donations from Chicken Fry and Tootsie roll sales of \$2,763.89.

Alan Beam -- Announced that Mr. Ford's 20" telescope has arrived, consultant will be here later in month. An article will be coming out in the Spring or Summer regarding Holton Observatory and PBS developing program. Mr. Larison presented in Las Vegas last week, Mr. Bechard presenting in New Orleans. The KAYS fundraiser helped with Thanksgiving dinner. Representative Hutchins and her spouse toured the school on the 10th. The High School Musical will be the 20th at 7:00 p.m. in the auditorium. The 20th and 22nd are finals. No practices from the 23rd through the 27th. Site council meeting last week. Extended congratulations to Luke Lang on receiving Horizon Teacher of Year award from the State.

Brad Rahe -- Thanked the City for continued working relationship. The City will be fixing water flow problem at Middle School over Christmas break and shaving the hill to

enable mowing. Extended congratulations to Luke Lang, quite a teacher. Tech meeting this Wednesday at 5:00 p.m. Happy holidays to all.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:

Member Bagby -- Extended congratulations to Luke Lang and Mary Schulz. HMS musical was good. Reported on comments regarding cleanliness of high school facility. Happy Holidays.

Member White -- Extended congratulations to Randall Bond, Sarah Phillips, Mary Schulz and Luke Lang. Thanks to Susan Rhule for Parents Night and Karen Stous for Christmas Store.

Member Pruett -- Congratulations to Mary Schulz and Luke Lang. Attended KASB Convention in Wichita. There was so much to see and do, still going through materials. Supreme Court case not yet resolved. A big push coming for Health and Nutrition. Happy Holidays

Member Chamberlain -- Congratulations to Luke Lang and Mary Schulz. Notables performance and Mr. Bond did excellent job. Congratulations to football team and coaches, both did outstanding job. Happy Holidays.

Member Nelson -- Congratulations to all on Musical play. Congratulations to Mary Schulz and Luke Lang on awards. Proud of representation by sports athletes. Requested to know if gyms would be open to outside school activities. Response was that at some point they would be open but still have challenges and would like to see someone accountable when in use by various groups. Mrs. Nelson would like to be on next meeting agenda to discuss health grant. Happy Holidays.

Member Eubanks -- Job well done on the Musical. Extended congratulations to Luke Lang and Mary Schulz. Helped unload fruit at high school today. Merry Christmas.

President Heckerson -- Congratulations to Mary Schulz and Luke Lang. Happy Holidays.

President Heckerson adjourned the meeting at 8:36 p.m.

Minutes as recorded by:

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